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Rule 60. Relief from judgment or order.

(a) Clerical mistakes. Clerical-The court may correct a clerical mistakes in judgments, orders or other parts of the record and errors therein or a mistake arising from oversight or omission may be corrected by the court at any time of its own initiative or on the motion of any party and after such notice, if any, as the court orders whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record. The court may do so on motion or on its own, with or without notice. During the pendency of an appeal, such mistakes may be so corrected before the appeal is docketed in the appellate court, and thereafter After a notice of appeal has been filed and while the appeal is pending, the mistake may be so corrected only with leave of the appellate court.

- **(b) Mistakes; inadvertence; excusable neglect; newly discovered evidence; fraud, etc.** On motion and upon such just terms as are just, the court may in the furtherance of justice relieve a party or his its legal representative from a final judgment, order, or proceeding for the following reasons:
  - (b)(1) mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect;
  - (b)(2) newly discovered evidence which by due diligence could not have been discovered in time to move for a new trial under Rule 59(b);
  - (b)(3) fraud (whether heretofore denominated previously called intrinsic or extrinsic), misrepresentation or other misconduct of an adverse opposing party;
    - (b)(4) the judgment is void;
  - (b)(5) the judgment has been satisfied, released, or discharged, or a prior judgment upon which it is based has been reversed or etherwise vacated, or it is no longer equitable that the judgment should have prospective application; or
    - (b)(6) any other reason justifying that justifies relief from the operation of the judgment.
- (c) Timing and effect of the motion. The A motion shall-under paragraph (b) must be made-filled within a reasonable time and for reasons in paragraph (b)(1), (2), or (3), not more than 90 days after entry of the judgment, or order, or, if there is no judgment or order, from the date of the proceeding was entered or taken. A motion under this Subdivision (b) The motion does not affect the finality of a judgment or suspend its operation.
- (d) Other power to grant relief. This rule does not limit the power of a court to entertain an independent action to relieve a party from a judgment, order or proceeding or to set aside a judgment for fraud upon the court. The procedure for obtaining any relief from a judgment shall be by motion as prescribed in these rules or by an independent action.

## **Advisory Committee Notes**

The 1998 amendment eliminates as grounds for a motion the following: "(4) when, for any cause, the summons in an action has not been personally served upon the defendant as required by Rule 4(e) and the defendant has failed to appear in said action." This basis for a motion is not found in the federal rule. The committee concluded the clause was ambiguous and possibly in conflict with rule permitting service by means other than personal service.

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## 2016 amendments The deadlines for a motion are as stated in this rule, but if a motion under paragraph (b) is filed within 28 days after the judgment, it will have the same effect on the time to appeal as a motion under Rule 50, 52, or 59. See the 2016 amendments to Rule of Appellate Procedure 4(b).